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April 3, 2019

Kim-Thoa Hoang, Board Chairperson Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board 555 West Beech Street, Suite 505 San Diego, CA 92101-3819

CLERB CASE NUMBER: 17-127 / Kenyon

Dear Chairperson Hoang:

The Sheriff's Department welcomes and supports the Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board's (CLERB) independent review of complaints alleging improper actions by members of this organization. We continuously strive to respond with professionalism and concern to the citizens we serve and the CLERB process provides invaluable input to that end.

On March 18, 2019, CLERB requested a Policy change related to George Bailey Detention Facility Green Sheet I.19 *Facility Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)*. Specifically, CLERB noted the following:

- 1. It is recommended that the SDSD revise its P&P Section I.19 to designate the duty of ensuring the jail surveillance camera functionality be clearly allocated to a dayshift sergeant, instead of "facility staff and supervisors."
- 2. It is recommended that the jail surveillance cameras be inspected for functionality during each shift; dayshift and nightshift.
- 3. It is recommended that the facility post orders specifically illustrate which dayshift sergeant position is tasked with ensuring the functionality of the facility's closed-circuit television.

These issues were thoroughly reviewed at all levels in this organization. We believe that the current policies related to Facility Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) are sufficient. We do recognize that the cameras related to this specific incident were not working on the date and time this occurred; they have been fixed and are operational. We believe it is incumbent on all supervisors and managers to ensure the cameras are operational and do not want to limit this assignment to just one person. As with all technology, it is impossible to anticipate if and when a camera may become inoperable. We have measures in place to ensure the GBDF DVR system is checked daily and logged by the Watch Commander. In our overall assessment of this incident, we believe this was an isolated incident and do not anticipate this occurring again.

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In closing, we appreciate the time and effort of the Citizen's Law Enforcement Review Board. I would like to thank you for your service to the Citizens of San Diego County and the policy recommendations. It is our goal to provide the "Highest quality public safety services" to everyone in San Diego County.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM D. GORE, SHERIFF

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